**Policy for creation of employment in Eighth Five Year Plan**

972. SHRI T. VENKATRAM REDDY:
SHRI G. PRATHAPA REDDY:

Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of policy emphasis on creating employment under the Eighth Five Year Plan; and

(b) the extent to which the above policy has proved successful to create additional employment in both public and private sector?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GAMANGO): (a) The Eighth Five Year Plan aims at accelerating growth of productive employment opportunities on the basis of faster growth of employment intensive sectors, sub-sectors and activities.. Major elements of the employment strategy of the Plan are: a faster and geographically as well as crop-wise diversified agricultural growth, development of non-agricultural activities in rural areas, particularly manufacturing and small and the decentralised manufacturing sector, expansion of programmes of construction of infrastructure and residential accommodation and promotion of the growth of the services and the informal sector activites, besides streamlining existing special employment programmes.

(b) Estimates of additional employment generated during the first three years of the Eighth Plan are given below:

| Year | Increase of decrease in employment (million) | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | Total | Public Sector | Private Sector |
| 1992-93 | 6.71 | 0.18 | 6.53 |
| 1993-94 | 5.71 | (—)0.51 | 6.22 |
| 1994-95 | 7.20 | N.A. | N.A. |

N.A. : Not Available

**Criteria for Central Assistance to States**

973. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI:
SHRI IS. RAJU:

Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Planning Commission in a radical policy shift has decised to assess the States fuel performance on the basis of revenue generated in the power, irrigation and transport sectors;

(b) if so, whether fiscal management is one of the key performance criterion for fixing, Central assistance to the States; and

(c) if so, the extent to which the new policy is likely to help in determining the Central aid for States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GAMANGO): (a) to (c) The formula for the allocation of Central assistance for State Plans inter-alia include the criterion of